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Later References.

GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Serial Nos. 13

Part B for Mayo.

SUBJECT.

Application of Petroleum Regulations to other Substances

For orders please see file no Genl 2-36

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App. F. III—2] of 1929

Serial No.	
1	From the Director of Industries & Commerce. No. 42-1372 of 29-30 d. 14.4.30. Encloses a copy of a letter from the Supdt of Industries, Shimoga Division, regarding the application of the provisions of the Abpsme Petroleum Regulation & the Rules thereunder to the possession and transport of Methyl Alcohol manufactured by the Abpsme Iron Works at Bhadravati and states that he is of opinion that it should be covered by a license as per Section 10 of the Regulation and solicits instructions in the matter.
	1. A copy of the Abpsme Petroleum Regulation I of 1923 & the Rules thereunder is herewith put up for perusal.
	2. Submitted for orders.
	MR. 28.4.30.
	3. The Iron Works may first be consulted
	Ce 8.5.30.
	Legy D)
	4. Yes. Correspondence
	Ce 14/5
	5. Draft submitted.
	MR. 19.5.30.
	Issue Ce 20/5/30
2	To The Forest Manager No. D/12958 dated 22/5/30 Forwards copies of letter referred to above for favour of remarks

Note—Contn. Sheet

WD 01684—GPB—30,000—20-4-29

Serial No.	
3	From the General Manager, Mysore Iron Works, No. B. 159/30 d. 25.5.30. Acknowledges receipt of the letter in Sl 2 and states that the subject will be placed before the Board and their views communicated to Govt at an early date.
	Invited for perusal with the previous file. The further report of the Govt Manager may be awaited.
	MV. 3.6.30. 8 yrs ca 6/6
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	9 The views of the Board have not been received
	10 Invited with a reminder
	4 years ca 1878 15/8 Issued vide 2047 18/8/30.
Issd	
4	From the General Managers, Mysore Iron Works, No. B. 264 of 30 d. 20.9.30. States that methyl Alcohol manufactured at Bhadravati does not come under the Mysore Petroleum Regulation of 1923, that as it is <u>not a hydro-carbon</u> it cannot be included under Petroleum as defined in clause (a) of Section 2 of the above Regulation & that this fact was also brought to the notice of the Supdt of Industries, Shimoga when he went to Bhadravati recently.
10	Invited for orders with reference to paras 3 & 4 above.
	MV 4.10.30 6

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General and Revenue Secretariat

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13) The Dir of Ind^s relying on the report of the Supdt of Industries Shamrao contends that Mythyl alcohol manufactured by Bhadravati Iron works is an inflamable Hydro Carbon and therefore falls under the definition of petroleum in sec 2 (a)(iii) of Regl I 1913

14) The Iron works say that Mythyl Alcohol does not ~~fall~~ come under the term Petroleum as it is not a hydro-Carbon—

15) Whether the substance is hydro-Carbon or not, may the Dir of Ind^s be informed that it is not necessary to order a license being taken out for its possession & transport as no one other than the Iron works is reported to possess or transport the liquid.

K.P. 7.10.30

16) The Director may again be consulted 2/o.

Keys 14/10

17) Yes Bp. 15/10

18) Forwarded with compliments to the Director of Industries & Commerce for favour of further remarks if any

Ag^o

Chairman

For Secretary

P.T.O.

16.10.30

Cy 17/10

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U.O.No. 56/G2-1372/1930 Dated 5th December '30

Encl.

Returned with compliments:-

I understand Methyl Alcohol is treated as Petroleum in British India. Licenses have to be taken under the Indian Petroleum Act and Rules framed under it for the importation, possession and transport of methyl alcohol in British India. As our Petroleum Regulation is based on the ~~Petroleum~~ Indian Petroleum Act it is advisable to treat Methyl Alcohol as petroleum as defined in the Petroleum Regulation and require ~~on~~ the obtaining licenses under the Regulation for the possession and transport of Methyl Alcohol in the State. I consulted the Chief Inspector of explosives in British India and copy of letter No.P.30-4 dated 13-11-1930 is enclosed herein for the information of Government.

Rangaswamy Iyengar
DIRECTOR OF I&C.

GEN. & REV. SEC. & D.I.C. DEVE.

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Submitted for orders. The Director may be informed that a licence under the Petroleum Regn will have to be taken for the possession & transport of Methyl ~~Alco~~ Alcohol & the opinion of the Legal Remembrancer may be obtained whether under the existing law (Petn Regn) it is or it is not necessary to take out a licence

15.12.30

KP 15/12/30

Submitted for orders.

MVR. 15.12.30

Submitted for orders if the Genl Manager desires Iron works may be informed that a licence under the Petroleum Regn will have to be taken for the possession & transport of Methyl ~~Alco~~ Alcohol & the opinion of the Legal Remembrancer may be obtained whether under the existing law (Petn Regn) it is or it is not necessary to take out a licence

23/ The Dir. may be requested to forward a copy of the notification

Letter No.P.30 (4) dated the 13th November 1930, from the Chief Inspector of Explosives in India, Calcutta, to the Director of Industries and Commerce in Mysore, Bangalore.

With reference to your letter No.C2.1372/29-30 dated 4th November 1930, I have the honour to state that the Indian Petroleum Act and the Rules framed thereunder have been applied to Methyl Alcohol. Licenses have therefore to be taken out under the Petroleum Rules for the importation, possession and transport of Methyl Alcohol in British India.

'COPY'

DIRECTOR OF I&C.

BV.5/12/30.

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extending the operation of Indian Act to Methyl alcohol; as it may be necessary to issue a similar notification here. CA 5/1/31

Revised draft submitted. MM. 19.12.30. CA 27/12

ACS. To the Director &c No D 6702 dated 29/12/30 Copy of Notification of Govt of India in the matter

Yes A MM 2.1.31.

GEN. & REV. SEC. OF 3 JAN. 1 DEVELOPMENT BRANCH.

6 From the Director of I & C. No. 42-1372/29-30 d. 13.1.31. With ref to the above, forwards for the information of Govt a copy of Notification of the Govt of India (No. M.1239 d. 5.5.27) applying all the provisions of the Indian Petroleum Act to Acetone, Wood Naphtha and Methyl Alcohol and states that it is necessary to issue a similar notification in Bhpore extending the operations of the provisions of the Petroleum Regulation to Methyl Alcohol & requiring licenses to be taken out for the importation, possession and transport of this substance & that as regards the minimum quantity to be prescribed for taking out licenses he has addressed the Chief Inspector

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31 A draft notification on the lines of that of the Govt of India is put up herewith. As a copy of the Indian Petroleum Act 1899 & Rules is occasionally found necessary for comparing purposes for Regulations & Rules with the same, a draft to the Curator to supply this office with a copy thereof is also submitted herewith for orders.

32 The Curator does not stock Govt of India Publns. We may get a copy from the G. of I. depot. Draft Ce 25/3

MM. 33 16.3.31. Submitted with draft ntfn for approval & thereafter orders

34 Please type draft Ce 25/3

KPO 16/3/31

35 Typed draft put up. A draft to Messrs Higginbotham is also submitted herewith as per orders in the margin.

MM. 36 2 dfts for approval 27.3.31. [The dft. notifn. may, perhaps, be also perused by L. L.] Ce 27/3

27/3 Seen

37 I don't know what the G. W. mean by saying methyl alcohol is not a hydro-carbon if its chemical formula is CH_3OH. It would seem to be safe to follow the precedent of the Govt of India.

Dfts may be approved

38 Before we take action as proposed above we might enquire of Messrs Burn & Co. Notice of Iron Works. The practice obtaining in British India and enquire what further steps have to be taken

39 Seen 31/3 JK 31/3

Mines 31/3/31 Ce 1/4

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1st W.D. 1553—GPB—5000—8-7-30

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Forwarded with a draft letter to the Govt Manager.
MR. 8.4.31.

To The General Manager, Mysore Iron Works, Bhadravati. No. D. 9524 d. 11.4.31. States that it is proposed to extend the provisions of the Petroleum Regulation to Acetone, Wood Naphtha & Methyl Alcohol and enquires if the Iron Works have any further objections or remarks to offer in the matter.

From the Govt Manager, Mysore Iron Works. No. B.137/31 d. 14.4.31. States that though Methyl Alcohol is brought under the Indian Petroleum Act in British India, no restrictions are placed by the Madras Govt on the transportation of our Methanol, large quantities of which are exported through the Port of Madras to London & other centres and request that they may be allowed sufficient time for submitting their final remarks after receiving to their Agents in England & America about the provisions in force in those countries.

Reference 1st Member's orders in the previous page. If appd the General Manager's final reply will be awaited.
MR. Gen. Dept. 24/4

For perusal
25/4/31

As G.M's further report may be awaited
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From the General Manager, Mysore Iron Works. No. 9220 d. 11.7.31. In continuation of his previous letter, forwards copies of letters received from the Agents in England & America stating that there are no special regulations governing the possession of Methyl Alcohol either in England or America and requests that, in view of this, the question may be dropped.

L & b United with reps to the orders of the 1st Member at the end of the previous page. The Govt Manager adds that the Mysore Iron Works Authorities are approaching the Madras & other Govts also to exempt the Sale of Methanol from any restrictions.

4) United for orders as regards the question of applying the provisions of the Petroleum Rules 17.7.31. Regln to Methyl Alcohol as proposed by the Dir of Agr.

K.C. 6/8 It seems advisable to bring our laws in line with those of British India. The draft may, perhaps, issue. If the Madras Govt. grant the I.W. any exemption, we may consider the question of doing the same here. CA 2/7

+ Secy.

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(3) The question of insisting on licenses for the possession and transport methyl alcohol was raised by the Dir. of I.C. at the instance of the Supdt of Industries, Shimoga.

(4) It is not clear from the correc. that there have occurred any accidents or other untoward mishaps by the absence of this rule.

(5) The Dir of I.C. in states that the methyl de alcohol manufactured in the Iron works has a flash point of 89°7. The licensee is obviously in view of the inflammability of the Stuff & not on account of its being a "hydrocarbon"

(6) The Dir. of I.C. cites the authority of the Chief Insp. of Explosives, Calcutta; who the methyl alcohol of which the latter speaks has a much lower flash point — viz 76°7. — a much more inflammable article.

(7) Further, it is seen from the correc that there are no restrictions regarding the transport & possession of this article in U.S.A & in England.

(8) In view of all this, the suggn of the I.C. manager may be accepted & the matter waived & licenses for the present.

D.
27.7.31

1st member)

(9) The result of the reference dated 27/7 to be made by the Iron Works & Madras Govt may be awaited. Meantime the General Manager may be asked to report what inconvenience will be caused if the petroleum laws is applied as in British India, & method of procedure followed

(2nd Compiled) D. 29.7.31 [illegible]

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Subd and Draft
Lr to D
31/7

58 Issued 31/7

11 To the Agent Managing, Mysore Iron Works, Bhadravati. No. D. 739 d. 3.8.31. Enquires what inconvenience will be caused if the Petroleum Law is made applicable in Mysore, as in British India, to Methanol products and requests him to report the result of his representation to the Madras & other Govts to exempt Methanol from legal restrictions.

Yes A
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Reminder issued on 22-3-32

Reminder put up.
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13/3/33 Issued

Issued No. D 4303 2.3.34

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As no reply is received till now to the Reminder is submitted.
62 Issue
24/3/33.
Issued No. D. 4303 2.3.34

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From the chief Inspector of Mines and Boilers

1790 dated 23/2/34

Requests that the provisions of the Mysore Petroleum Regulation may be applied to Acetone and Naptha & Methyle Alcohol

Subd

63 Kind Regd. is invited to paras 4 & 5 of 55 above. A reply from the Secy, Board of Management, Mysore Iron Works, is still awaited. A reminder was issued on 2/3/34. He is for orders whether the proposal of the chief Inspector of mines and Boilers may be taken up for consideration after receipt of a reply from the Secy, Mysore Iron Works.

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7/3/34 - Reply from the Secy., Mysore Iron Works may be awaited.

DCV: Secy.)

65 — Please issue a D.O. reminder 7/3

MW. 19.3.

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D.O. Reminder fwd. up.

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Issued D 4520 & 21.3.34.

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The administration of the Petroleum Regulation & Rules framed thereunder was transferred from the date of the Chief Inspector of mines & Boilers

1.5.34

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Sir B for a week

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From the Secretary, Board of management, Mysore Iron works, Bhadravati

Submits a report called for in Sl 11 above

Subd with reference to paras 59— and 63-65— above

The Secy, Board of management, Mysore Iron works reports that the restrictions in regard to possession, storage & transport of Petroleum & the licence fees leviable on it are imposed on Methyl Alcohol, also obviously our sales of Methanol will diminish ----

Methyl Alcohol has not been brought under the Petroleum Act in United States of America & Great Britain. In Madras Presidency where the substance has been brought under the provisions of the Petroleum Act, the rules are only enforced with regard to the shipping & handling of the Products in the Madras Harbour: &

As regard to excise control on the material, the Secy further states that the Madras Govt have declined to give exemption from excise control on Mysore substance & that the Bombay Govt is still considering the question

The Mysore Iron works authorities are not in favour of including this substance under the Mysore Petroleum

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Regulation:

We enclose herewith a copy of memo & letter dated 23/4/34 from Mysore suggesting that the provisions of the Mysore Petroleum Regulation may be applied to Acetone, Wood Naptha & Methyl Alcohol.

Submitted for orders

Ent CB
27/3/34 (Dev: Sec.)

CMO
29/3

Letter sent to Mysore Indian Dept of the rules thereunder.

AW. CMO
16.4. 14/4

Submitted with a copy of the Madras Petroleum Act & the Rules framed thereunder in disposing Bombay Papers.

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16/4/34

Copies of the Mysore Petroleum Regulation & rules framed thereunder and ~~of Rules of regulation and issue~~ Notification No. D 40777 (Genl 26-31-6 including the dated 15/7/32 applying to Carbide & Calcium the provisions Mysore Petroleum Regulation & rules framed thereunder are also put up for reference.

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Ent
16/4/34 (Dev: Sec.)

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Though, as the time, this may not

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affect the Mysore Iron works financially very much, it is known to them when the demand for charcoal revives or the manufacturing Pig Iron again is taken up at the instance the Mysore Iron works & Kudremukh, the Bombay Govt have not been applying the rules very rigidly as Methanol used for the manufacture of Formaldehyde. In Nasik it had been really a taxation measure

The Mysore Iron works have had regular correspondence with the Central Board of Revenue & the Industries Dept of the Govt of India in regard to the credit for larger quantities for methanol by introducing the Denaturant formula for denaturant which requires 5 to 10% of Methanol. In this connection the Central Board have also suggested that the action taken by them will enable Bhadravati Unit Methanol at about 1-6-6 delivered anywhere in case the net price is being kept at about 1 Re. These restrictive measures under the Rules of Excise regulation will have to be discussed with the Industries Dept of Bhadravati hence they have to go before the Govt of India Dept to get it all. I believe they were in touch with this.

In the meantime the Mysore Govt should not postpone their case. The only argument advanced either by the Director I.I.C. or Chief Inspector is that our valued Customer must be kept in line with British India. Why it must be done is not clear. British India has no time limit to think of but Mysore

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Application of Petroleum Regulation to other substances

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had [illegible] under no circumstances shall they take the action proposed unless application is made in that behalf only on merits.

Application of Mr. G. M. Bhansali will be required to ~~proceed~~ take further action in accordance with the Central Provinces under the intimation to the Chamber of Mines

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Please speak to me
16/5/36

For further action taken see file No. Geol 2-36. (B. May 40).

27/5/40

Affirmed from the P.C. letter dated 8/6/37

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AGRI. & FOREST BRANCH

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TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS:—"INDUSCOM."

GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE.

In reply please refer to
No. C2.1372/29-30 DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIES AND COMMERCE.

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR,

Dated, Bangalore, 14th April *1930.*

FROM

C. RANGANATHA RAO SAHIB, Esq., B.A., B.L.,
Director of Industries and Commerce in Mysore,
(Bangalore, India.)

To

N. RAMA RAO, ESQ., B.A., B.L.,
Secretary to Government,
Development Department,
Bangalore.

SIR,

Application of Petroleum Regulation to other substances under Section 21 (1) of the Regulation.

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I have the honour to enclose herein copy of report No:D.C2 dated 15/17-3-1930, received from the Superintendent of Industries, Shimoga Division, regarding the application of the provisions of the Mysore Petroleum Regulation and the Rules issued thereunder to the possession and transport of Methyl Alcohol manufactured by the Mysore Iron Works at Bhadravati. As pointed out by the Superintendent of Industries, Methyl Alcohol is an inflammable hydro-carbon included under Petroleum as defined in Clause (a) of Sec:2 of the Petroleum Regulation. Its chemical formula is CH_3OH. Its flash point is as given in the Chemical Encyclepaedia as 89^0 Fahrenheit. In point of inflammability it stands between petrol and kerosine oil. Although no one other than the Mysore Iron Works which are owned and managed by Government either possesses or transports Methyl Alcohol, I am of opinion that its possession and transport should be covered by a license as required by Section 10 of the Regulation. I request the instructions of Government in the matter.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant

DIRECTOR.

BV.3.

Letter No: D.62 dated the 15/17-3-1950, from the Superintendent of Industries, Shimoga Division, to the Director of Industries and Commerce in Mysore, Bangalore.

Subject:- Application of the Petroleum Regulation to other substances as per section 21 (i) of the Regulation.

As per definition in Section 2(a)(ii), ~~(20)~~"Petroleum" includes any inflammable liquid which is made from petroleum, coal, schist, shale, peat or any other ~~license~~ bituminuous substance, ~~xxxx~~ or from any product of petroleum as also carbon_di_sulphide ether and any other inflammable hydro_carbon or derivative thereof. You are aware that the Mysore Iron Works at Bhadravati have been manufacturing a substitute for methylated spirit which is being manufactured by the Government Distillery at Bangalore as well as imported from foreign countries. The sales and storage of the latter are regulated by the Excise Department, whereas that of the former, that is, the sale and storage of the product manufactured by Bhadravati Iron Works are not, so far as I am aware of, regulated by anybody. This product is a highly inflammable liquid, and I believe it is the intention of the Regulation that the product also should be treated similar to dangerous petroleum.

I request you therefore to take necessary action in the matter, as required by Section 21 (i) of the Regulation, and instruct me as to any action that may have to be taken by me in the matter.

"Copy"

For Director.

BV.

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SUBJECT.....

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Section Geol

File No. 120-29

Serial No. 2

No. D 12918

Gu (2)

Diary No. of letter replied to 8880

General and Revenue Secretariat

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Date of issue 22/5/30

Signed by Gu C.S. Narasimha

To

The Agent Manager, The Mysore Iron Works, Bhadravati.

Sir,

In forwarding herewith a copy of letter No. G2. 1372 of 29-30 d. 14.4.30 from the Director of I & G together with its enclosures regarding the application of the Mysore Petroleum ~~and other matters of~~ the provisions of this Regulation I of 1923 and the Rules issued thereunder to the possession and transport of Methyl Alcohol manufactured by the Mysore Iron Works at Bhadravati. I am directed to request

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your to be so good as to place the
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forward its opinion ~~on the matter~~ thereon at an early date
for the orders of Govt.

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For Offg. Secy Govt.

GOVERNMENT OF HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE,

General and Revenue Secretariat

No. D 12958 / Ec(2) Dated, Bangalore, 30

From S.No. 12 - 25-2

N. RAMA RAO, Esq., B.A., B.L.,
Secretary to the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore
Development Departments.

To

The General Manager,

Mysore Iron Works, Bhadravati.

Sir,

In forwarding herewith a copy of letter No.C2-1372 of 29-30 dated 14th April 1930 from the Director of Industries and Commerce together with that of its enclosure regarding the application of the provisions of the Mysore Petroleum Regulation I of 1923 and the Rules issued thereunder to the possession and transport of Methyl Alcohol manufactured by the Mysore Iron Works at Bhadravati I am directed to request you to be so good as to place the matter before the Board and forward its opinion thereon at an early date for the orders of Government.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

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For Secretary to Government
Development Departments.

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THE MYSORE IRON WORKS

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Ref. No. B. 159/30

Bhadravati (India)
25th May 1930.

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The Secretary to Government,
Development Departments,
Govt. of Mysore, Bangalore.

Dear Sir,

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. D/2958/Genl.120-29-2 dated 22-5-1930 in regard to the application of Mysore Petroleum Regulation to the possession and transport of methyl alcohol manufactured at Bhadravati

The subject will be placed before the Board and their views forwarded to you at an early date.

Yours faithfully,

Asst General Manager.

CNV-2.

THE MYSORE IRON WORKS

Geol 120-29-4

Telegraphic Address:
"MYSIRON", BHADRAVATI
(MYSORE RYS.)

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Bhadravati (India)

Ref. No. B 264/30

20th September 1930.

GEN & REV. SECRETARIAT.
3 SEP 1930
DEVELOPMENT BRANCH.

The Secretary to the Government
of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,
Development Departments, Bangalore.

Dear Sir,

With reference to your letter No.D. 2047 dated 18th August 1930. I beg to state that mythyl alcohol manufactured at Bhadravati does not come under the Mysore Petroleum Regulation of 1923. As it is not a hydro-carbon, it cannot be included under Petroleum as defined in clause (a) of Section 2 of the above Regulation I may also add that this fact was brought to the notice of the Superintendent of Industries, Shimoga when he was here recently.

Yours faithfully,

GENERAL MANAGER.

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SUBJECT 15

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No. 6702

Diary No. of letter replied to 2578

General and Revenue Secretariat

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To

The Director of I & C in Mysore.

Date of issue 29.12.30

Signed by Tr. Asst Secy

Sir,

List of enclosures .....

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Adverting to the correspondence ending with yours W.O. No. 56/1930. G2-1372 d. 5.12.30 stating that licenses have to be taken out in British India under the Indian Petroleum Act and Rules for the importation, possession and transport of Methyl Alcohol ~~and that it is advisable~~ to treat it as petroleum in this State as defined in the Petroleum Regulations ~~and enquire licenses to be obtained therefor~~ I am directed to request you

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for reference here

to be so good as to forward a copy of
the notification extending the operations
of the Indian Petroleum Act to Methyl
Alcohol in British India
~~as it may be necessary to issue a similar notification in Mysore~~

I have etc.,

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22/12

Your very obt. servt.

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS:—"INDUSCOM."

GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE.

DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIES AND COMMERCE.

1. SEC. GEN. & DEV. 5548 14 JAN. 1931 DEVELOPMENT BRANCH

In reply please refer to
No. C2-1372/29-30
Encl,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR,

Dated, Bangalore, 10th Jany. *193*1.

FROM

C. RANGANATHA RAO SAHIB, Esq., B.A., B.L.,
Director of Industries and Commerce in Mysore,
(Bangalore, India.)

To

Geol 120-29-6

B. Narainsamiengar, Esq., B.A., B.L.,
Secretary to the Government of Mysore,
Development Departments, Bangalore.

SIR,

Ref: Methyl Alcohol - Mysore Petroleum Regulation.

With reference to your letter No. D. 6702/Geol. 120-29- dated 29th Decr. 1930 on the above subject, I have the honor to enclose herein for the information of Government, copy of the Government of India Notification No. M. 1239 dated the 5th May 1927 received from the Chief Inspector of Explosives in India applying all the provisions of the Indian Petroleum Act to Acetone, Wood Naptha and Methyl Alcohol.

Refer
13/1/31

In view of the contention of the Mysore Iron Works that wood alcohol is not a Hydro-carbon, it is necessary to issue a similar notification extending the operations of the provisions of the Petrol-eum Regulation to Methyl Alcohol and requiring licenses to be taken out for the importation, possession and transport of this substance. Regarding the minimum quantity to be prescribed for taking out licenses, I have addressed the Chief Inspector of Explosives in the matter. On hearing from him I shall submit a further report to Government in the matter.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Director-in-charge.

13/1/31

USC)

Government of India

Department of Industries & Labour

Dated, Simla, 5th May 27.

N o t i f i c a t i o n

No. M.1239 - In exercise of the powers conferred by Sub-section (1) of Section 22 of the Indian Petroleum Act, 1899 (VIII of - 1899), the Governor General in Council is pleased to apply all the provisions of the said Act to each of the following substanc -es - namely -

1. Acetone
2. Wood Naptha
3. Methyl Alcohol

(Sd) A. C. McWatters,

Secretary to the Government of India

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For Director.

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D. No. 6479 D 6.3.31 file 120-29-7

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS:—"INDUSCOM."

GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE.

DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIES AND COMMERCE.

In reply please refer to
C2-1372/29-30
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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR,

Dated, Bangalore, 4 March *193*1

FROM

C. RANGANATHA RAO
Director of Ina

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To

B. Narainsamiengar, Esq., B.A., B.L.,
Secretary to the Government of Mysore,
Development Departments, Bangalore.

SIR,

Reference - Methyl Alcohol - Mysore Petroleum Regulation -

In continuation of my letter of the same No. dated the 10th Jany. 1931 on the above subject, I have the honor to enclose here-in for the information of Government copy of letter No. P-30(4) dated the 22nd Jany.1931 received from the Chief Inspector of Explosives in India. It is seen from the letter that the minimum quantities of Methyl Alcohol for importing, transporting or possessing which licenses are ~~not~~ required to be taken, are the same as prescribed in Sections 5 and 6 of the Mysore Petroleum Regulation.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Changanatha Rao Saheb
Director.

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Copy of letter No. p-30(4) dated the 22nd Jany.1931 from the Chief Inspector of Explosives in India, Calcutta, to the - Director of Industries and Commerce in Mysore, Bangalore.

With reference to your letter No. C2-1372/29-30 dated the 10th/12th Jany.1931, I have the honor to state that Acetone, Wood Naptha and Methyl Alcohol have a flash point below 76° F. The maximum quantity of each of these substances which can be imported without a license is 40 gallons and that which can be kept or transported without a license is 3 gallons, vide Secs. 5 and 6 of the Indian Petroleum Act.

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Director.

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SUBJECT.....

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Section Genl.

File No. 120-29.

Serial No. 8

No. D. 9524

Diary No. of letter replied to 6479

General and Revenue Secretariat

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To

The General Manager, Mysore Lac Works, Bhadravati.

Date of issue 11.4.31

Signed by Mr. C. E. R.

Sir,

In acknowledging to yours D.O. X letter No. B.264 of 30 d. 20.9.30 in the matter of the application of the Mysore Petroleum Regulations to the possession and transport of Methyl Alcohol manufactured at Bhadravati I am directed to state that from the Chief Inspector of Explosives in India it is ascertained that Methyl alcohol derived from wood naptha does not come under the Indian Petroleum Act as it is treated as Petroleum in British India and licenses have been issued as required for carrying petroleum as they have a flash point below 76° F

to be obtained under the Indian Petroleum Act

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ance Rules & Memorandum for the import-
ation, possession & transport of Methyl
Alcohol in British India. As new Petro-
leum Regulation is based on the Indian
Petroleum Act it is considered necessary & advisable
to treat Methyl Alcohol as Petroleum under
the Abyssne Petroleum Regulation and to
require the taking out of licenses under
the Regulation for the possession & trans-
port of Methyl Alcohol in the Abyssne State.
It is therefore proposed to introduce a
notification here similar to the one in
force in British India extending the
operations of the provisions of the Petroleum
Regulations to Methyl Alcohol. I am to re-
quest your Excellency to be so good as to
state whether you have any objec-
tion to the above procedure being adopt-
ed here & to the issue of the notifn in ques-
tion, a copy of which is enclosed for your infn
The favour of an early reply in the matter is
requested

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Petrn Regn to Methyl
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if the Iron Works
have any further
objections or
remarks to offer;
in the matter may
I am to request that this may
kindly be treated as
urgent and a reply
sent early

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THE MYSORE IRON WORKS

GEN. & REV. SECRETARIAT
15 APR. 1931

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DEVELOPMENT BRANCH.

Bhadravati (India)

Ref. No. B.137/31

14th April 1931.

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15/4/31

The Secretary to Government,
Development Departments,
Bangalore.

Dear Sir,

With reference to your letter No. D.9524/Geol. 120-29-8 of the 11th instant, enquiring if we have any objection to include Methyl Alcohol under the Provisions of the Mysore Petroleum Regulation, we wish to state that although Methyl Alcohol is brought under the Indian Petroleum Act in British India, no restrictions are however imposed by the Madras Government on the transportation of our Methanol, large quantities of which are exported through the port of Madras to London and other centres. We are, however, requesting our agents in England and America to intimate to us the provision governing the possession, transportation and sale of Methyl Alcohol in force in their respective countries and will revert again on receipt of their replies.

We request that sufficient time may kindly be allowed to us for submitting our final remarks.

Yours faithfully,

General Manager.

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THE MYSORE IRON WORKS

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13/7/31

The Secretary, to
Development Departments, Govt. of Mysore,
Bangalore.

Dear Sir,

In continuation of our letter No.B.137/31 of the 14th April 1931, informing you that we were requesting our agents in England and America to intimate to us the provision governing the possession and sale of Methyl Alcohol in force in their respective countries, we enclose herewith copies of letters as also of enclosures received from them from which it will be seen that there are no special regulations governing the possession or sale of Methyl Alcohol either in England or America. We have sent herewith the only copy of Freight Tariff Interstate Commerce Commission Regulations for Transportation by Rail of Explosives and other dangerous articles by freight including - specifications for shipping containers. This pamphlet corresponds to the Red Pamphlet issued by the Indian Railway Conference Association governing the rules for the transport of the material on Railways and has nothing to do with possession or

sale

of the material.

In view of this, we request that the question may be dropped.

We are taking up the question with the Madras and other Governments also to exempt the sale of Methanol from any restrictions.

Yours faithfully,

General Manager.

Enc:- Freight Tariff No.2
Copies of letters from
Messrs. William S.Gray & Co., &
Barter Trading Corporation.

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THE MYSORE IRON WORKS
BHADRAVATI

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Copy of letter GHD/RW dated 19th May 1931 from Messrs. Barter Trading Corporation Ltd., London, to Mysore Iron Works, Bhadravati.

With further reference to your letter of 16th ultimo, please find enclosed copies of letter received from the Home Office and Custom House from which you will note that there are no special regulations governing the possession, sale and transport of METHYL ALCOHOL in this country, except in so far as the Duty is concerned.

Bhadravati,
11th July 1931.

VVR.

THE MYSORE IRON WORKS
BHADRAVATI

Barter Trading Corporation Ltd., London.

Home Office,
589,569. Whitehall, 16th May, 31.

Gentlemen,

With reference to your letter CLE/DEPT of the 6th instant, addressed to the Board of Trade, I am directed by the Secretary of State to say that there are no governmental Regulations in regard to the safe keeping or transport of Methyl Alcohol, but that transport by rail is controlled by Regulations made by the Railway Companies.

Particulars of these Regulations can be obtained from the Railway Clearing House.

The Secretary of State would suggest that you should communicate with the Board of Customs and Excise in connection with the keeping, for sale, of Methyl Alcohol.

I am, Gentlemen,

Yours obedient Servant,

Sd/ W.G. ALLEN.

" COPY "

Bhadravati,
11th July 1931.

THE MYSORE IRON WORKS
BHADRAVATI

Barter Trading Corporation Ltd., London.

No. 29378/1931.

Custom House,
Lower Thames Street, E.C.3
16th May, 1931.

Gentlemen,

In reply to your letter of the 6th instant, regarding the rules governing the possession, sale and transport of methyl alcohol I am directed by the Commissioner of Customs and Excise to inform you that, so far as this Department is concerned, crude wood naphtha or methylic alcohol is not dutiable and is free of Revenue control but where methylic alcohol is purified so as to be potable it is subject to duty and becomes free of Revenue control after payment of duty on delivery from warehouse.

I am to mention that provision exists under Section 8 of the Finance Act, 1902, for delivery of pure methyl alcohol, otherwise dutiable, duty free to persons authorised by this Department to receive and use the alcohol for the purpose of manufacture, when certain Revenue conditions, which do not however relate to methods of transport, are required to be observed. As regards sale, methyl alcohol is not considered to be " Spirits " for the purpose of Excise licence duty.

I am to add that, in so far as your enquiry may be directed to requirements under the Petroleum orders operation in this country, the regulations under those Orders are issued by the Home Office and it is suggested in this connection that enquiry be made of that Department.

Sd/ C.E.L. FLETCHER.

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BHADRAVATI

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Extract from letter dated 9th June 1931, from Messrs. William S. Gray & Co., New York, to The Mysore Iron Works, Bhadravati.

Reply is made to your letter of April 16th concerning regulations in this country covering the transportation of Methanol.

There are no regulations which require a license for the sale or transport of this product in the United States. Transportation regulations are made by the Bureau of Explosives and the Interestate Commerce Commission, both of which are governmental agencies.

Sd/

Assistant Treasurer.

Bhadravati,
11th July 1931.

VVR.

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File No. 120-29.

Serial No. 11

No. 0785

Diary No. of letter replied to.....2197.....

General and Revenue Secretariat

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To The General Manager

Mysore Iron Works

Date of issue.....3/8/31.....

Signed by.....W C S Newman.....

Sir

With reference to your letter No S 220 dt 11-7-31 regarding the inclusion of methyl alcohol under the provns of the Mysore Petroleum Rules, I am directed to request you to be so good as to state what exactly will be the inconvenience caused if the Petroleum law is made applicable ~~applied~~ as in British India, to methanol

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~~Mr Falcon~~ Methanol from legal restrictions

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Fair draft

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3rd August 1931

D.Srinivasa Iyengar Esq.,B.A.,

M.Venkatanaranappa Esq., B.A.,
General Manager, Mysore Iron Works,
Bhadravati.

With reference to your letter No.5220 dated 11th
.y 1931 regarding the inclusion of methyl alchol under the provisions of the Mysore Petroleum Regulation, I am directed to request you to be so good as to state what exactly will be the inconvenience caused if the Petroleum law is made applicable in Mysore, as in British India, to methanol products. I am also to state that a report on the result of your representation to the Madras and other Governments to exempt methanol from legal restrictions is awaited.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

for Secretary to Government,
Development Department.

B.K.M.

GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE.

DEVELOPMENT

Telegraphic Address:—
"MINESPECTOR"

DEPARTMENT OF MINES AND EXPLOSIVES.

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF INSPECTOR OF MINES & Explosives IN MYSORE.

No.
Encl:

Dated Oorgaum, 23rd February *193* 4.
(S. India).

FROM

C. E. SURYANARAYANA RAU, ESQ., Mem. A.I.M.E., &C.,
Chief Inspector of Mines & Explosives in Mysore.

To

S. Abdul Wajid, Esq., B.A.,
Secretary to the Government of His Highness the
Maharaja of Mysore, Development Department,
Bangalore.

Sir,

I have the honour to state that Government of India issued a Notification No. M-1239 dated 5th May 1927 applying all the provisions of the Indian Petroleum Act to Acetone, Wood Naptha and Methyl Alcohol and at the same time directed Local Governments and Administrations that the rules regulating the importation, possession and transport of petroleum issued by them should apply mutatis mutandis to the importation, possession and transport of these substances. Copy of Notification issued by the Local Government in Central Provinces in this matter is enclosed for reference and it is very likely that the other Provincial Governments have also issued similar Notifications.

As the Mysore Petroleum Regulation and Rules thereunder are modelled on those obtaining in British India, I request that a similar Notification under Section 8 of the Mysore Petroleum Regulation be passed by Government to bring our Rules into line with the British Indian practice in the matter of the importation, possession and transport of Acetone, Wood Naptha and Methyl Alcohol in the State. As enquiries are being made by firms dealing in these

substances in the State for licenses, early orders of Government are solicited.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

C E Srinivasayyangar

Chief Inspector of Mines &
Explosives in Mysore.

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RULES TO REGULATE THE POSSESSION AND TRANSPORT OF ACETONE, WOOD NAPTHA AND METHYL ALCOHOL - (CENTRAL PROVINCES)

Notification No.1906-1180/XIII dated the 15th July 1927.

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 9 of the Indian Petroleum Act, 1899, (VIII of 1899), as applied to Acetone, Wood Naptha and Methyl Alcohol by the Notification of the Government of India, Department of Industries and Labour, No. M-1239 dated the 5th May 1927, the Governor in Council, with the previous sanction of of the Governor General in Council, is pleased to direct that the rules regulating the possession and transport of petroleum published with the Notification of this Government No.863, dated the 15th May 1909, shall apply mutatis mutandis to the possession and transport of Acetone, Wood Naptha and Methyl Alcohol in the Central Provinces.

" Copy "

C E S Rao

Chief Inspector of Mines &
Explosives in Mysore.

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R.S)

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GEN. Letter

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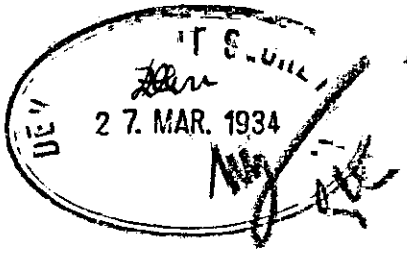
Bhadravati (India)

Ref. No. 46

26th March 1934.

The Secretary to the Government
of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,
Development Department, Bangalore.

Dear Sir,



Reference:- Your D.O. letter No.4520-Geol.120-129 dated 21st March 1934, enquiring about the effects of applying the Petroleum Act to Methyl Alcohol.

As you are aware, ever since the collapse of the export market for Wood Distillation products in 1930, the manufacture of these products in Bhadravati has been curtailed and attempts have been made to develop local markets.

Nearly half the quantity of methanol, (methyl alcohol) produced under the reduced scale of operations is now being sold within the Province, as a substitute for, and in competition with, a more cheaply manufactured product, namely, Denatured Java spirits. The price of the latter in sympathy with the general fall of prices, has declined and therefore the sales of our methanol have to be made at little or no margin of profit. If under these conditions, the restrictions in regard to possession, storage, and transport of Petroleum and the license fees leviable on it are imposed on Methyl

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Alcohol, obviously our sales of Methanol will diminish and even such quantity as is sold will nett us very low prices leading to appreciable loss on the sales of this commodity.

Therefore we submit that in conformity with the practice in the United States of America and Great Britain already reported to Government, Methyl Alcohol be not brought under the Petroleum Act, even as the competing product, Benatured Java spirits, which is very much akin to it, is not. In this connection, we may point out that the flash point of Denatured Alcohol varies from 40°F to 60°F and that of the Methanol offered as substitute for it also falls almost within the same range, as its methanol content varies from 80 to 90%, and 100% Methanol has a flash point of 49°F and 80% Methanol a flash point of 62°F. Therefore both Benatured Java spirits and Methanol are more or less equally less inflammable than Petrol, and deserve to be treated alike.

Even though the Madras Government has brought Methyl Alcohol under the provision of the Petroleum Act, it is our experience that the terms are only enforced in regard to the shipping and handling of the product in the Madras Harbour. For transport and handling within the country they do not seem to have imposed any restrictions. Despatches to individual customers in the Presidency or to our agents at Madras are not accompanied with any license under the Petroleum Act.

In regard to excise control on the material, the Madras Government have so far declined to view our request for exemption favourably

and the Bombay Government is still considering the question and have not yet come to a decision.

Yours faithfully,
M.V. Balakrishnan
SECRETARY
BOARD OF MANAGEMENT.

GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE.

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Telegraphic Address :—
"MINESPECTOR"

DEPARTMENT OF MINES AND EXPLOSIVES.

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No. 678. 3196(19)
Encl.

Dated [redacted]um, 5th October 1934.
(S. India).

FROM

C. SURYANARAYANA RAU, ESQ., MEM., A.I.M.E., ETC.,
Chief Inspector of Mines and Explosives in Mysore.

To

M. Venkatanaranappa, Esq., B.A.,
Secretary to the Government of His Highness
the Maharaja of Mysore, Development Department,
B a n g a l o r e.

Sir,

I have the honour to invite your kind reference to this office letter No.1790 dated 23rd February 1934 and to request you to be so good as to obtain early orders of Government in the matter of application of the provisions of the Mysore Petroleum Regulation and Rules for the importation, possession and transport of Accetone, Wood Naptha and Methyl Alcohol in the State.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

C S Suryanarayana Rau

Chief Inspector of Mines &
Explosives in Mysore.

The file above referred to was submitted to the First Member of ~~M.S.~~ Council on 12-5-1934 and has not yet been received back with orders thereon.
Submitted for favour of perusal and orders

11/10.

Await orders

13/10/34